#### **Overview of Monthly Activity**

The Bureau received 78 (32 were received electronically) complaints during the month of May 2015.

76 (30 electronic) complaints were closed

0 required more information to proceed with an investigation

7 were closed due to lack of Bureau jurisdiction

17 were dismissed for no violation

13 were referred back to the DOC

38 complaints were investigated

4 assist were given (referred back to DOC for action even though the offender failed to attempt to resolve with the facility previously)

10 (8 electronic) complaints were substantiated (see below)

28 were unsubstantiated due to no violation of policy and/or procedure existing

8 complaints remain open (2 from April, and 6 from May)

The Bureau also corresponded with another 154 offenders who submitted complaints electronically

#### **Substantiated Complaints & Recommendations to IDOC for Resolution**

#### 1. Heritage Trail Correctional Facility

Complaint Type Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that his arm is swelling up for no reason.

He had filled out Healthcare Request Forms, but by the time they

call him over, the swelling is usually gone.

**Basis for Claim** Healthcare Services Directive 2.04

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

**Outcome** The offender was seen, evaluated, and treated further.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary as the offender has received further care.

2. New Castle Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Clothing

**Complaint Summary** The offender complains that he was placed in RHU and not given

sheet exchange for his bedding for over 4 weeks. He filed a

grievance.

**Basis for Claim** The Use and Operation of Adult Offender Administrative

Restrictive Status Housing 02-01-111.

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Sandra Kibby-Brown in Central Office.

Outcome Upon further review, the offender did not receive sheet exchange

for four weeks and the grievance was not properly addressed.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary as the offender has received sheet

exchange and the facility has addressed the sheet exchange issue.

3. New Castle Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Dental

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he has put in two requests regarding

being seen for an infection in the mouth and has not been seen.

**Basis for Claim** Dental Services Manual

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

Outcome The offender was seen and treated and the facility reviewed its

scheduling procedures.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary, as the offender has been seen and treated

and scheduling procedures have been improved.

4. New Castle Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he has been taken off medication

that he needs.

**Basis for Claim** Healthcare Services Directive 2.17 Medication Management

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

Outcome The offender was seen, evaluated, and prescribed the needed

medication.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary, as the offender is receiving the

medication.

5. New Castle Correctional Facility

Complaint Type Mental Health

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he was in need of mental health

medication, but was not prescribed any when he was seen.

**Basis for Claim** Healthcare Services Directive 4.03 Mental Health Services

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

Outcome The medication was provided, the facility referred the offender to

psychiatric services, and implemented new efficiencies to ensure

that referrals would be properly made in the future.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary, as the offender has his medication and

staff appropriately implemented efficiencies to ensure this would

not happen again.

6. Pendleton Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Credit Time

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he had not been awarded the

appropriate number of jail time credit days.

**Basis for Claim** 01-04-101 Adult Offender Classification

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Randy Short, Supervisor of Adult Offender

Placement

Outcome The credit time was updated in OIS (Offender Information

System).

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary, as the offender's EPRD has been updated.

#### 7. Plainfield Correctional Facility

Complaint Type Medical Care

Complaint Summary Offender complains that he injured his shoulder and has submitted

several healthcare request forms and was supposed to get an MRI,

but had not been scheduled.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 1.05 Offsite Medical Referrals

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

**Outcome** The offender was seen and given a referral to an MRI.

**Follow-up** Follow-up in 30 days to ensure that he's received his MRI.

#### 8. Plainfield Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Phone

**Complaint Summary** Offender complains that he was released, but when he went back to

the IDOC he was kept on the same restriction that he was on

previously.

**Basis for Claim** 02-01-105 Telephone Privileges

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Mr. Penfold, facility grievance specialist.

Outcome The restriction was, per policy, changed to three months.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary, as the restriction was changed.

#### 9. Putnamville Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Medical Care

**Complaint Summary** Offender complains that his sugar level keeps dropping and

believes that medical is not treating it appropriately.

**Basis for Claim** HCSD 2.04 Access to Care

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Monica Gipson, Healthcare Services

Director.

**Outcome** The offender was seen by the provider and is being treated further.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary.

#### 10. Putnamville Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Visitation

**Complaint Summary** Offender complains that he had been released on parole and when

he came back he was put on a permanent visitation restriction instead of a 6-month when he committed a new conduct offense.

**Basis for Claim** 02-01-102 Offender Visitation

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Sandra Kibby-Brown in IDOC Central

Office.

Outcome The offender's visitation restriction was updated appropriately to a

12 month restriction.

**Follow-up** No follow-up is necessary.

**Assists** 

#### 1. Indianapolis Re-Entry Facility

Complaint Type Classification - Time cut

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he had not received his PLUS time

cut.

**Basis for Claim** 01-04-101 Adult Offender Classification

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Randy Short, Director of Adult Placement in

IDOC Central Office.

**Outcome** The offender has received his time cut.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary, as the offender has received the time cut.

#### 2. Plainfield Correctional Facility

**Complaint Type** Classification - Time Cut

**Complaint Summary** The offender complained that he had not received his PLUS time

cut.

**Basis for Claim** 01-04-101 Adult Offender Classification

**Investigative Summary** The Bureau contacted Randy Short, Director of Adult Placement in

IDOC Central Office.

**Outcome** The offender has received his time cut.

**Follow-up** No follow-up necessary, as the offender has received the time cut.

#### **Follow-up from Previous Months**

No follow-up at this time.